Application Instructions for the Ohio Ornithological Society Conservation Grant

* Instructions are printed in **blue font**. Please delete all instructions prior to submitting your application.
* Please submit application as one PDF document. Complete the provided document in Word or Google Docs, convert to PDF before sending the final document.
* Email final document to [kerrigan@muskingum.edu](mailto:kerrigan@muskingum.edu)
* Direct any questions to Bil Kerrigan at [kerrigan@muskingum.edu](mailto:kerrigan@muskingum.edu)
* Delete this page before submitting your final application.

Rules and Guidelines

1. Projects should seek to accomplish some combination of establishing, protecting or enhancing bird habitat; ethically sharing birds or birding with the public; or otherwise conserving birds or bird habitat.
2. Typical grant awards range from **$250** to **$1500**. Grant requests can be **up to** $2500.
3. The committee favors projects where a modest investment will complete the project or a well-defined aspect of a larger project.
4. Projects should be limited to Ohio.
5. The Committee reviews proposals twice a year, with **submissions due** on **March 15th** and **September 15th** at **11:59pm**.
6. Applications seeking funding primarily for salaries, mileage, and merchandise (shirts, etc.) will not receive priority consideration.

Ohio Ornithological Society Conservation Grant

Application Form

Project Overview

Applicant (Point of Contact):

Email:

Phone:

Organization:

Organization Address:

Short Title of Project:

Location of Project: *Including County, street address (if applicable), and coordinates*

Estimated Start & Completion Date:

Amount Requested From OOS:

Total Project Budget: *Total project cost including money requested from other organizations*

Project Summary:

250 words or less summary describing the proposed project

Project Details

**Project Objective(s)**: What do you envision are the end benefits of this project and how do they relate to bird conservation?

**Methods**: Describe the proposed methods in detail.

* Include relevant sources justifying or outlining specific techniques, pertinent site descriptions, figures (aerial imagery, maps, diagrams), and any additional information that will aid in assessing the project's ability to achieve the proposed objective(s).

**Project Management**: Who will be leading the project? What experience do they have in similar relevant projects?

* Also provide the name, credentials, and contact information of individuals overseeing activities requiring permits or licenses (e.g., bird banding, specimen collection, herbicide application).

**Barriers**: Do you anticipate any barriers to completing the project? If so, do you have any plans to address these if they arise?

**Project Reporting**: Upon project completion, are you willing to write up a summary with photos for the OOS newsletter?

Budget

* Provide a list of requested items with prices and acquisition status, organized by funding source.
  + Ensure your list is comprehensive, including items from other funding sources (This allows us to evaluate the diversity of investment in the project and the full scope of the materials you plan to use)
  + Be as specific as possible when listing items (brand, number of units, etc.).
  + **Acquisition status options**:
    - *Secured*: The funding has been granted by the target organization.
    - *Requested*: An official request has been made to acquire funding from the target organization.
    - *Pre-Request*: In the process of creating a formal request for funds.
    - *Undetermined*: Seeking a funding source.
  + Justification statement: If the importance of an item to the project may not be immediately apparent, provide a brief description of its significance.

\*\*Example\*\*

OOS

* Item - $$$, Requested
* Item - $$$, Requested
  + Justification statement

Organization 2

* Item - $$$, Pre-Request
  + Justification statement

Applicants own organization

* Item - $$$, Secured
* Item - $$$, Secured
* Item - $$$, Requested

Undetermined

* Item - $$$

OOS Total =

Other Organizations Combined Total =

Project Total =

**Can the project be conducted with only partial funding from the OOS? Yes / No**